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Docket No. 350292000800

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

Masahiko MIHARA

Serial No.: 09/381,598

Filing Date: September 20, 1999

For: PREVENTIVES OR REMEDIES FOR  
SENSITIZED T CELL-RELATED  
DISEASES CONTAINING IL-6  
ANTAGONISTS AS THE ACTIVE  
INGREDIENT

Examiner: J. Murphy

Group Art Unit: 1646

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated 28 December 2000, which set a time for response to expire on 28 March 2001. A petition for an extension of time of three (3) months until 28 June 2001 in which to respond is attached herewith along with the required fee. Examined claims, claims 14-23 were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and remarks are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.